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# The Verdict is In:
## Estate of Lee Harvey Oswald V. ACME

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Contributing Writer

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On Nov. 3, a highly anticipated verdict was reached in the trial of the century: the case of the Estate of Lee Harvey Oswald vs. ACME Insurance.

In a heated debate, the plaintiff fought for Lee Harvey Oswald and his family. ACME Insurance refused benefits to Oswald's wife, Marina, due to her husband's alleged murder of President John F. Kennedy. The trial brought with it sad memories and high emotions as participants were asked to relive that horrific day to search for the truth. The two-day trial began with a voir dire where jurors were questioned so that the defense could select the best fit for their jury. Day two began with opening statements from both sides.

The trial was a passionate battle for justice between the plaintiff and defense. In the plaintiff's opening statement, lawyer Brother Lucius proclaimed, "Sadly, we are here to talk to you about greed and pain. ACME is withholding benefits to Marina Oswald, accusing her late husband of being responsible for the death of John F. Kennedy. We are asking you to relive this day [of the assassination of JFK on November 22, 1963] so that you may see the truth in this case. We would like to give peace of mind and heart to Marina Oswald. Let's move forward to the truth."

The defense's opening statement was made by Matthew Klein, the Council Defendant of ACME Insurance Company.

"We will show evidence that Oswald planned and executed this assassination because he did not like our president or this country. The plaintiffs will give you conspiracies and hearsay rather than true evidence," argued Klein. "The bullet from the rifle owned by Oswald [and used in the assassination of our president] was custom ordered under an alias. We want you to find that Oswald is guilty and that he acted alone."

There were many witnesses brought forward including law enforcement agents, experts on ballistics, and Oswald's widowed wife. Witness reports' evidence included that there were at least three shots fired, Oswald traveled to the USSR during the Cold War, and that he had interviews with the FBI regarding his ties to Russia. There were discrepancies in the witness testimonies, such as which type of gun was used, where the fatal shot came from, and whether the bullet in evidence had even been fired.

During Mark Saunders' testimony, who represented the Soviet Union, we learned that Oswald had traveled to the Soviet Union on Oct.16, 1959, in the midst of the Cold War. Upon entry, he was granted six days of asylum, then was denied citizenship due to lack of adherence to their ideals of Communism and Marxism. When Oswald was asked to leave the Soviet Union, he attempted suicide, indicative of mental instability and violent tendencies. He claimed

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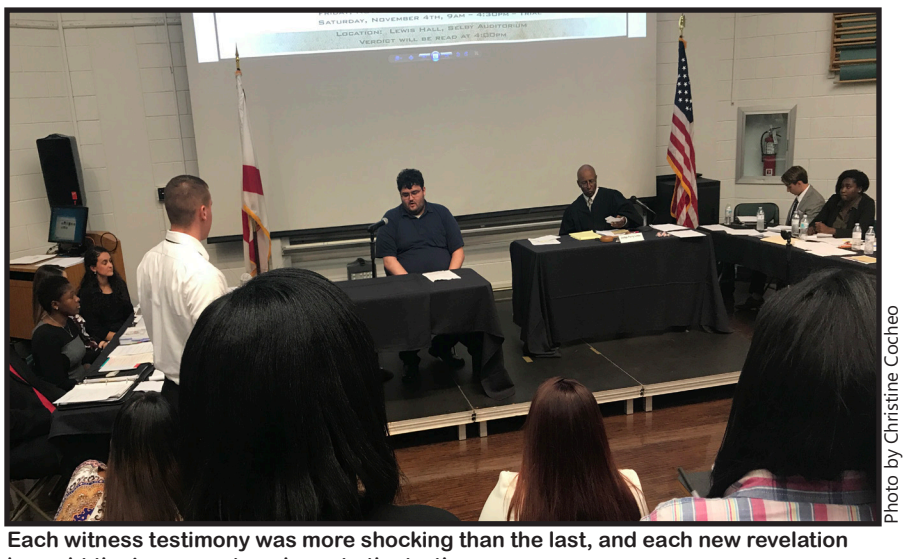

Photo by Christine Cocheo

**Each witness testimony was more shocking than the last, and each new revelation brought the jury one step closer to the truth .**

## Kappa Sigma Home Run Derby Raises Hundreds For Military Veterans

**By Noah Dombroski**
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It's not every day that hitting home runs benefits the American military, but that's exactly what students and faculty of Saint Leo University accomplished on Sunday night. For three hours, current students and staff, as well as alumni, gathered at the University Softball Stadium in support of veterans, softball, and hot dogs. The event was put together by Saint Leo's chapter of the Kappa Sigma fraternity, along with assistance from the Saint Leo Recreational Department, as a way to help raise money for an organization Kappa Sigma started back in 2007: The Military Heroes Campaign. Since the campaign's start, the fraternity has raised over a million dollars nationwide towards the financial and organizational support of veterans across America. With Veteran's Day right around the corner, this campaign, as well as this event on campus, helped to spread awareness for the holiday and raise hundreds of dollars for the cause in just a few hours on the softball field.

Austin Abbot, a current member of Kappa Sigma on campus and organizer of the home run derby, stated, "we were thrilled with the outcome and overall attendance. We raised well over a grand and look forward to expanding the event in the future."

Aside from the main attraction of the derby, the evening included a contest between three fraternities and sororities to see who could create the best banner to represent the occasion, a hot dog eating challenge, and hilarious play-by-play announcing by Kappa Sigma alumni.

The events' organizers were lauded by participants in the derby and those who donated to support the cause. Congratulations were also extrended to Saint Leo student John Daly who bested the other 13 contenders in the home run contest.

## 2017 Homecoming Brings a Blast from the Past

**By Emily Kochanski**
Campus News Editor

On Saturday, Nov. 4, Saint Leo University brought it's Homecoming Week to an unforgettable end with a highly anticipated bash in the SCC Bowl. The event featured food, fireworks, and live music performed by the popular group Smash Mouth.

The event, hosted by members of Alumni Engagement and Sustained Giving, kicked off at 4:30. Current students and alumni were reunited and shared in an afternoon of food and fun. Food trucks featuring pizza, burgers, grilled cheese, and more lined the perimeter of the bowl. There were plenty of games for children and families, like cornhole, and even a mechanical bull.

Photo by Emily Kochanski

**The years have been kind to the members of Smash Mouth. Students and alumni were thrilled to hear that the band hasn't lost any of their original sound.**

This year's event actually reinstated the Homecoming tradition on campus, and Alumni weekend will now be held during the fall semester.

"We are bringing back a tradition that Saint Leo had many years ago," explained Regina Belvin, the Assistant Director of Alumni Engagement and Sustained Giving. "We are reinstating Homecoming to give students and alumni a new way to come together."

Many were happy to once again pal around with old friends that have graduated, including junior multimedia management major Michael Williams.

"I have a lot of friends who are alumni, and I was

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# Editorial

## The Faults of the Two-Party System
## America is More Colorful Than Red and Blue

**By Christine Cocheo**
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Observing how your parents vote and speak about candidates is very influential. As an adult, it is easy to find yourself affiliated with the same party as your parents. Becoming more interested in politics and social issues is a common part of growing up, and with that comes viewing the presidential interviews and debates. In watching these, many people are surprised to find themselves agreeing with the party they do not consider to be their own. Though an opposing party will still say many things you do not agree with, you may also see that side upholding some of the values you do agree with.

Agreeing with the opposing party can be shocking and make someone question a core part of their identity, especially if they are from a state surrounded by people that all vote for the same party. Finding that you lean in the other direction in some issues can be surprising when you consider yourself to be staunchly tied to your party.

Hopefully, this confusion will encourage you to do some research, because it is important to be as informed as possible when it comes to choosing our nation's leader. There are many resources online on the values of both parties, including some in-depth political party quizzes that ask your opinions on a variety of issues, such as social, national security, environmental, economics, domestic policy, healthcare, etc. In doing some research, you may find yourself to be leaning towards an opposing party, or even that you have balanced views as a centrist.

Candidates tend to leave behind values to stick to a party. Many candidates have been known to switch their views depending on what opinions their voters feel strongly about. During elections, you see videos online and interviews about a past stance a candidate took on an issue that opposes what they are currently representing. This need to change to fit the mold of a political party causes distrust between the people and the candidates.

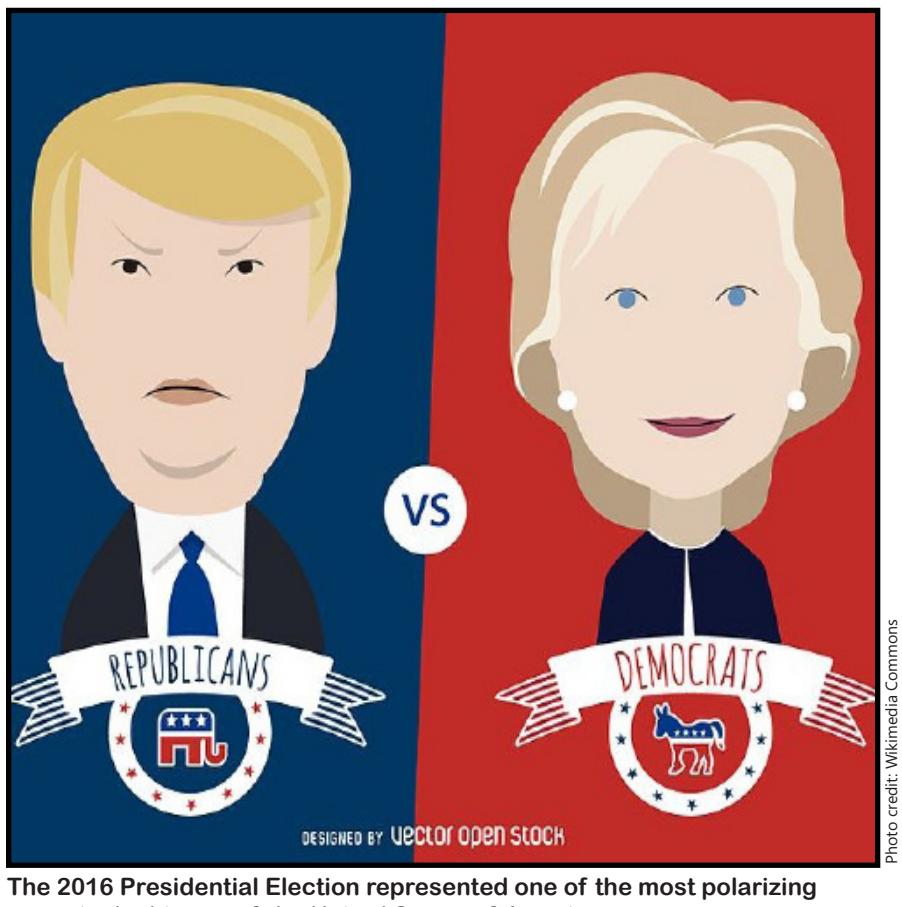
Progression is necessary, and while some candidates may admit to changing views based on new experiences, you may watch a few outright deny or attempt to excuse their previous statements in fear of their approval ratings plummeting.

This nation needs to progress towards unity. With this past election, there was such hatred between the Democrats and Republicans. You could not go on social media without seeing one party or the other being attacked. People would condemn the whole party based on actions of a few, and many were quick to assume that the radicals on either side were representative of everyone who identified with that party.

Being criticized for belonging to a party is unfair, and ignorant of the criticizer. It would be difficult to find two people in the same party who hold the same beliefs, so why do we treat each other as though all democrats and all republicans are the same? Citizens need to start respecting opinions that differ from their own for this country to move towards unity.

The two-party system is a false dichotomy that puts a strain on the unity of the nation. It sets an expectation of only two sets of beliefs, while in reality, almost everyone has different views from each other. Rather than citizens connecting and having healthy debates on values respectfully, citizens argue over a couple of issues specific to their party. Generations of families vote the same way and allow themselves to be ignorant of facts. Many citizens lack education on their candidate and rather than researching the issues that matter and comparing their views with their candidate, many will vote solely based on the party they belong to.

The two-party system encourages citizens to go to the polls and blindly vote for their candidate, knowing very little about, or having misconceptions about them and their values. Voters assume that since a candidate belongs to a certain party, they must hold specific beliefs, but it is rare to find anybody who aligns one hundred percent with the ideals of one party or the other. Without the two-party system, voters would be forced to learn about their candidate authentically, and candidates would be more likely to be authentic.

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**The 2016 Presidential Election represented one of the most polarizing races in the history of the United States of America.**

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Saturday Oct. 4 Homecoming activities, drew scores of Saint Leo Alumni, faculty and staff, parents, and members of the local community to University Campus.

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## The Verdict is In:

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Jeff Borden, Chief Innovation Officer, thanked the jurors for their participation.

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to be Marxist and denounced his United States citizenship, but was never granted USSR citizenship. He returned to the U.S. in 1969 with his new wife, Marina, after an eighteen-month stay.

During his testimony, Hunter Banes, a CSI witness for the defense, declared that Oswald had two interviews with the FBI, in June and August, because of his travels to Russia during the Cold War. Banes also taught us that Oswald went under the alias Alex Hill to lead the Fair Play Cuba Committee and to order money to purchase the gun that killed JFK. While Oswald denied ownership of a gun, his wife confirmed that he did own one, and had a picture of him holding it.

Though Marina would be gaining benefits with Oswald's innocence, she acknowledged that Oswald was very politically radical, and brought to the jury's attention that he had attempted to murder a General – General Edwin.

"He looked guilty, I saw it in his eyes," she said of Oswald following the assassination.

The jury was sent to deliberate which side had stronger evidence. If the evidence proved that Oswald committed the unthinkable, they were to be in favor of the defense. If he were in fact not responsible for JFK's death, thereby releasing to Marina his life insurance benefits, the jury would vote in favor of the plaintiff.

In the end, the jury sided with the defense and Oswald was found guilty. American citizens can now rest at ease knowing that our beloved president's assassin is no longer out in the world or continuing to pose a threat.

## Blast from the Past

Photo by Emily Kochanski

Alumni, like recent graduate Jahiedy Vintas, were happy to be back on campus and partying with old friends.

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really hoping to see them all again," explained Williams. "I also really love it when Saint Leo holds events like this, because everyone comes out of the woodwork and we can all have a little bit of fun."

Of course, the big happening on everyone's mind was the highly anticipated arrival of Smash Mouth, a music giant of the '90s.

"We wanted a band that both alumni and current students would know," explained Belvin.

Many alumni grew up listening to their alternative jams, but those of the younger generation are only familiar with their music through goofy internet memes or the popular DreamWorks animated film "Shrek."

"I never really got into their music," laughed Williams. "But just because of the sheer meme presence of them online, a concert like this is something really unique."

Keeping with the tradition, the evening ended with an awe-inspiring firework display over lake Jovita. Students seemed to enjoy the event, and Belvin and the rest of Alumni Engagement and Sustained Giving are looking forward to planning next year's Homecoming celebration and making it bigger and better than the last.

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Many attempted to best the mechanical bull, but all were ultimately the ones bested.

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## Program Bridges Students' Language Barrier

### Saint Leo Bridge Program Celebrates 5 years

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Photo provided by The Bridge Program

**The Bridge Program has a traditional picture day, where past and current Bridge Program members join together to take a group photo.**

The Bridge Program has come a long way since it started five years ago in 2012.

The academic program was put in place to help international students whose native language is not English, transition into the United States' college environment. The program is open to students who are just below the general requirements for the English proficiency, according to the Saint Leo catalog. The program was started to offer these students extra assistance.

"In 2012, it was recognized that some of the international students need additional support during their first year of studies because of their English language proficiency and academic preparedness level. The students who qualify for Bridge [Program] receive English for academic purposes instruction, aiming to support their language development and adaptation to the new academic culture," said Dr. Iona Sarieva, the director of the Bridge Program and assistant professor.

Sarieva confirmed that "the selection is made based on student's language proficiency scores they submit as part of their admission application." This allows the program to assist them to adjust in this academic environment.

The initial group of students in the Bridge Program came from Saudi Arabia.

"When the program started, the challenge was that all students came from the same country and they spoke more often their native language than English," said Sarieva. "Today we have students from a variety of countries, and they are well-supported by the Bridge faculty members and former Bridge students in the process of their integration into the University community."

Photo provided by The Bridge Program

**At the ice cream social, which was held last semester, the Bridge Program updated the flag collections and celebrated the winners of the Bridge Program's "Fall in Florida" competition.**

In fact, the program has expanded to more than 20 countries, from five continents including Europe, Asia, Africa, Central America, and South America, according to Spirit, a Saint Leo publication. According to Sarieva, this semester there are 14 students in the program. She stated that this is smaller than in the beginning; however, the small class sizes allow for individual attention.

"Our today's goals and challenges in the program are related to refining our reporting of student learning outcomes," said Sarieva.

The program has courses that the students have to take to assist in their academic development. According to the Saint Leo website, the classes are designed to provide opportunities for the students to master their communication skills, improve learning skills and adapt to the learning culture in the United States.

Sarieva mentioned that a common challenge for students in the program is lack of adequate academic language skills. However, Sarieva also stated that after students complete the program, one benefit is that they are academically prepared, in terms of culture and language. In fact, students from this program tend to outperform other students on average, according to Sareiva.

"While some of the students may initially find their mainstream classes challenging, they perform well – among Saint Leo's class of 2017, there were several former Bridge students who graduated with distinction – cum laude or summa

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cum laude. "The student speaker at our Spring 2017 commencement ceremony was Ammar Mohrat – a former Bridge student," said Sarieva. "The attrition among the Bridge students is very low; the average GPA of the former Bridge students is typically slightly higher than the GPA of the mainstream students on University Campus."

There are two tracks for students in the program to take: the regular track and the fast track. In 2014, the curriculum was revised to offer two tracks. The regular path has eight courses that are covered over the span of two semesters. Students with higher levels on proficiency test scores, who are considered to have advanced-intermediate performance levels, can follow the "fast track." This track is a modified curriculum that has four classes over the course of one semester. All students start taking their first University Explorations courses while in the program as well.

"Initially, all Bridge students took the full two-semester Bridge curriculum. It was recognized that the students who are admitted through the Program typically are of two different language proficiency levels - intermediate and advanced intermediate. Based on observations, GPA data analysis, and previous research in the field of second language learning, a decision was made to offer accelerated one-semester curriculum to the advanced intermediate students," said Sarieva.

Students do have the opportunity to opt out of some of the courses in the Bridge program, as they can challenge their level placement, but they have to follow specific steps to do so.

These courses take the place of some University courses. In fact, depending on the track taken, students "can earn up to 26 university-level elective, academic, and 6 University Explorations (general education) credits while studying in the program," according to Saint Leo.

Along with these additional courses, the students are advised by the program director, Sarieva. Besides Sarieva, there are two other full-time faculty members, Nataliya Glover and Dr. Marcel van Olphen.

Since 2012, the Bridge Program has grown with a more diverse student population and now offers more than one track for students to follow. The program was able to help nearly 200 students and will continue to help international students maximize their opportunities for academic success.

Photo provided by The Bridge Program

**The Bridge program has many programs each semester that help their students build as a community, including this event held last year, which was an ice cream social.**

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**The Bridge program also enjoyed another ice cream social, last semester, in which there were guests from Dr. Olphen's Spanish class.**

Photo provided by The Bridge Program

**Other social events the program have had were the picnic event, held last semester, and trips to the Pinoeer Museum and the Scare Crow Festival, which were held this semester.**

To learn more about the what the Bridge Program is doing and to view more of their pictures, visit their Facebook page at: **Bridge at Saint Leo University**

## Mission

Following the core values and the mission of Saint Leo University, the Bridge Program at Saint Leo strives to support international students by providing them with high-quality English instructionfor academic purposes. The main goal of the program is to maximize students' opportunities for academic success by assuring their balanced language development, personal and academic growth, and smooth transition and adaptation to their new academic culture. An integral part of the University community, the Bridge Program fosters the spirit of collaboration, respect, responsible stewardship, intercultural understanding, and academic integrity.

# Arts & Entertainment

## Hats off to Mario!

**By Austin Chiavaroli**
Contributing Writer

Since the last installment in the Mario Bros. franchise, everyone was wondering how Nintendo was going to top their last game "Super Mario 3D World." The release of the new Nintendo Switch game "Super Mario Odyssey," doesn't disappoint fans of the Mario universe, as the Italian plumber is back for another adventure. With a new gimmick lined up and new colorful and unique kingdoms to explore, this game has got gamers loving every second of it.

The story starts with Mario trying to stop Bowser/ King Koopa from kidnapping Princess Peach to marry. However, he is knocked off of Bowser's airship by a new side team of enemies called the Broodals. Mario awakes to find that he is in a new kingdom, the Hat Kingdom, and it's there that he meets a new companion named Cappy, a sentient hat. He tells Mario that Bowser has also captured his sister Tiara and that he is more than likely taking anything related to the wedding Bowser has planned. The two then take off to find a machine that can help them tail Bowser as he travels these new kingdoms, called the Odyssey. Once found, it is now up to Mario to stop Bowser and the Broodals and save the Princess Peach from marrying the Koopa King.

The gameplay in "Super Mario Odyssey" is much like any other Mario game, with the exception of Cappy. Being worn on Mario's head, Cappy can be thrown to catch coins, attack, and most importantly let Mario take possession of anything it is capable of landing on. When this possession occurs, Mario can then use unique abilities solely designed for that specific possession. For example, one of the most popular and fun possessions is when Mario takes control of a T-Rex, which allows the player to stomp large rocks and pretty much be an unstoppable T-Rex. This mechanic works well due to its list of potential attachments, such as many enemies and objects.

One of the more known topics about the game is that finally human models have been put into the game. In the kingdom New Donk City, humans are the primary community, as the city looks very much like New York City. While Mario is technically human, these models are taller and look less cartoonish and more like real people. While some fans might be at odds with it, others are excited to see how Mario would act with the populous if he was real.

The soundtrack for this game is fantastic as with a full-on orchestra making the tunes. One of the most notable songs is also from New Donk City, called "Jump Up, Super Star!" where the orchestra and a singer bring an almost nostalgic song to the player.

The levels and backgrounds for "Super Mario Odyssey" also come to life with vibrant colors and fluid character animations. If there is one thing that could be said against this game is that the character animations can be a little weird and the game's camera can be a little problematic if the player wants to sometimes land a jump just right to a platform.

With these small minor issues, "Super Mario Odyssey" has become one of the best games this year, and it shows by how inventive and fun it can be. This installment in the franchise is sure to be becoming some peoples favorite, and it is definitely worth checking out if you're a gamer of any kind or a fan of the red-hatted hero.

**Game Review Score:**
5 out of 5 Paws

Photos by @noloading.co

**"Super Mario Odyssey" has a vast variety of bright, exciting world designs and emphasizes the journey in the game rather than just the destination.**

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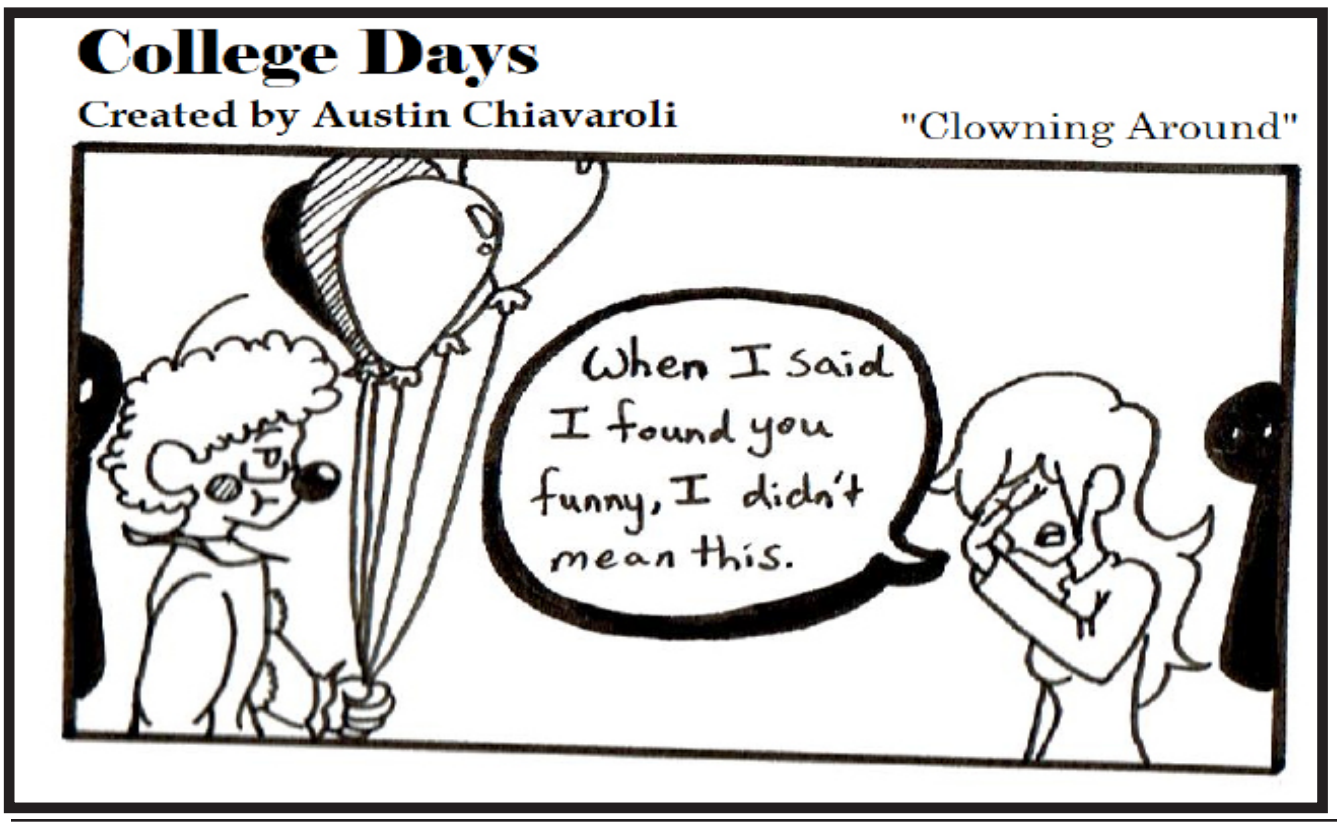
**"Super Mario Odyssey" is the fastest selling Mario game of all time in the United States.**

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# Arts & Entertainment

## "Jigsaw," Respectful to Fanbase but a Bloody Mess

**By Madison Whatley**
Contributing Writer

"Jigsaw," the heavily anticipated eighth installment in the Saw saga, lacks sophistication and plot coherency but gifts fans of the infamous "games" with creative new traps. "Jigsaw" premiered Oct. 27, almost exactly 13 years after the first film in the franchise, "Saw." The franchise was featured as a haunted house at Universal's Halloween Horror Nights this year to promote the new movie.

The initial film was a large-scale success and quickly became one of the most popular horror movies of its time with gross sales of over $100,000,000 at the box office, and the film acquired a cult following that has largely remained loyal to the series. However, engagement with the public has dropped with the releases of each additional film as they grew to become more focused on the gore of the games than the character development that is crucial to understanding Jigsaw as a villain.

Jigsaw is a vindictive killer who studies his victims and calculates a flawlessly designed trap meant to punish the sins of his victims while offering them salvation through merciless means. He acts as a godly figure by making judgments about human beings and treating them according to his sense of justice, albeit beyond twisted. Those hoping to see a reversion in structure and theme more along the lines of the original Saw film were disappointed by Jigsaw.

The basis for "Jigsaw" is that the city is horrified by a sequence of murders eerily similar to those committed by the Jigsaw killer John Kramer (Tobin Bell). The event of these killings poses a problem for those investigating the murders, as Jigsaw was presumed dead for several years by this point. Therefore, law enforcement officials are wrestling with two disconcerting theories: Jigsaw is still alive somewhere, or a copycat killer is on the loose. Two detectives, Halloran (Callum Keith Rennie, "Californication") and Hunt (Clé Bennett, "Barney's Version") collaborate with two forensic pathologists Logan Nelson (Matt Passmore, "The Glades") and Eleanor Bonneville (Hannah Emily Anderson, "Lizzie Borden Took an Ax") to solve the case.

As the plot unfolds, the detectives manage to turn the forensic pathologists against each other and vice versa, all under the suspicion that someone among them has played a part in the killings. The already twisted film takes numerous turns as from the insertion of a few red herrings in the mystery; however, the epiphany moments of the work prove to be underwhelming.

The directors did not choose to incorporate any song in the film except for the typical Saw theme music, which is consistent with the other movies. Frequent changes in directors may have caused the other differences among the separate films of the franchise. "Saw" was directed by James Wan, but Darren Lynn Bousman directed "Saw II," "Saw III," and "Saw IV," David Hackl directed "Saw V," and Kevin Gruetert directed "Saw VI" and "Saw 3D." Most recently, The Spierig Brothers directed "Jigsaw."

The Spierig Brothers are fairly new to the industry, as Jigsaw is only their fourth film that they have ever directed. What the newest film certainly brings to the franchise is the interesting scenery of the abandoned barn where the game takes place this time as well as the inventive and terrifying new traps introduced.

This film is recommended for mature audiences and fans of the outright gore for which the Saw films are known, but it is not recommended for those seeking a well-developed mystery or suspense film.

Photos by @Variety_Film

Even with a large fanbase, "Jigsaw" recieved a 32% on Rotten Tomatoes.

***Watching Jigsaw go about his torture business is about as interesting as watching a child burn ants – a dumb and ugly waste of energy, resources and time. - Emily Yoshida (Vulture.com)***

Critics continue to weigh in with mixed to negative reviews on the film, comparing it to the earlier editions in the franchise.

***If you don't like Saw, this isn't going to change your mind – but it's skillful, satisfying schlock and respectful of its fanbase. And the final death is a show-stopping coup de grace.-Jeffrey M. Anderson (commonsensemedia.org)***

A virtual reality escape room at Javitz Center in New York was created to simulate "Jigsaw."

**Movie Review Score:**
2 out of 5 Paws

Despite its best efforts, Jigsaw fails to live up to the success of its predecessors.

# Sports

## Fantasy Football Sleeper Picks Week 10

**By Collin Moran**

Sports Editor

Week 10 in the NFL is already here, and fantasy football playoffs will be starting in a little less than a month. These matchups are coming at a crucial time in the season, and some owners might need help with four teams on a bye this weekend. Here is a list of some of the top sleeper picks in fantasy football this week.

**Martavis Bryant, WR Pittsburgh Steelers:**

With the Steelers coming off of their bye week, all of the buzz surrounding the team seems to have to do with star rookie JuJu Smith-Schuster, however fellow wide-receiver Martavis Bryant figures to get back into the game plan following a Week 8 benching. Initially, Bryant was benched by the team after a social media rant in which he called out Smith-Schuster after a game; now it is time to see if they will allow him to play this weekend against the Colts.

At the time of this writing, the talented receiver was practicing with the first team offense and had hopes of taking the field come Sunday. If he does indeed start, I think he could provide solid value against a Colts' secondary that has allowed a league-high of 13.9 yards per catch to opposing receivers this season. JuJu Smith-Schuster flashed some impressive speed in their last game when he caught a pass and took it for a 97-yard touchdown, but Bryant remains the premier deep threat on offense. If everything goes according to plan and he plays this weekend, slot Bryant in as a low-end flex option with WR2 upside.

Martavis Bryant is looking to return from a Week 8 benching and return to form against an exploitable Colts' defense.

**Devontae Booker, RB Denver Broncos:**

The Broncos aren't in a good place right now as the playoff picture is starting to take shape around the league. The offense was led by Brock Osweiler last Sunday and failed to register a touchdown until the fourth quarter in a 51-23 blowout loss to the Eagles. Denver is looking forward to another possible loss when the New England Patriots visit the Mile High city this Sunday. Luckily, the Patriots' defense is still one of the worst in football and has given up a league-high of 5.1 yards per carry, making backup running back Devontae Booker an intriguing option this week. C.J. Anderson and Jamaal Charles struggled mightily last week, and Booker looked like the best of the group on his six carries. The coaching staff in Denver may need to try something different to get the offense going, giving the second year running back the majority of the carries could be the answer. Booker scored against Kansas City in Week 8 and could end up being the preferred goal-line running back against New England. He is a low-end flex option, but a trip to the end-zone could provide nice value to those daring enough to start the former fourth-round pick.

**Ryan Fitzpatrick, QB Tampa Bay Buccaneers:**

In what will be a rematch against his former squad, Ryan Fitzpatrick will have some great potential heading into Sunday's matchup against the New York Jets. Usual starter Jameis Winston will give way to Fitzpatrick for the next two games after further injuring his throwing shoulder in last week's game against the Saints. It will be the third game this season that the 34-year-old signal caller will be asked to go to center and has looked solid in his action so far with Tampa Bay. When Winston got knocked out of the Week 6 game against the Cardinals, Fitzpatrick came in and put up 20 fantasy points in limited action. It will be tough going without star wide receiver Mike Evans who will be serving a one-game suspension on Sunday, but the Jets have allowed a league-high of 19 passing touchdowns to opposing quarterbacks this season. The Buccaneers still feature enough weapons to put up some solid points with Fitzpatrick at the helm. Slot the veteran in as a mid-range QB2 with some substantial QB1 potential in this game.

**D'Onta Foreman, RB Houston Texans:**

With quarterback Deshaun Watson out for the rest of the season, the Texans' offense looked very sluggish against a mediocre Colts' defense last week. This weekend they may lean heavily on the run game because they are facing the Rams, who has given up 4.6 yards per carry and eight rushing touchdowns so far this season. D'Onta Foreman and Lamar Miller split the carries pretty evenly last week, and the Texans could employ more of a running back-by-committee moving forward with their lacking passing attack. The veteran Miller has been a bit of a disappointment this season, only averaging 3.7 yards per carry, and the rookie Foreman (4 yards per carry) may be called upon to spark the offense down the stretch. Starting the former Texas Longhorn this week may be risky, but if he gets double-digit touches again, there could be a chance he finds the end zone for the first time in his career. Start Foreman as a deep sleeper and a low-end flex option in larger leagues.

**Hunter Henry, TE Los Angeles Chargers:**

Coming off of a bye, the Chargers will have their hands full, facing the elite Jaguars' pass defense on the road this week. It is tough to recommend any receiver against Jacksonville, but with the possibility of wide receivers Keenan Allen and Tyrell Williams being shut down, it may be time for the Hunter Henry to step up and make some big plays. The second-year tight end has three games this season with at least 73 yards receiving and this could be a contest where quarterback Philip Rivers looks to him early and often. With two touchdowns on the year so far, Henry has a chance to find the end zone against a defense that won't be focusing on him very much. Slot Henry in as a TE2 with some possible TE1 upside.

### Upcoming Games Week Ending 11/10/17 - 11/18/17

**Cross Country M/W**
11/18 NCAA National Championships (Evansville, Ind)

**Men's Basketball**
11/11 vs Alabama Huntsville (Tampa, FL) 12:00 p.m.
11/12 vs North Alabama (Tampa, FL) 12:00 p.m.
11/15 vs Florida Southern 7:30 p.m.
11/18 @ Embry-Riddle 4:00 p.m.

**Women's Basketball**
11/10 @ Lee (Cleveland, Tenn) 6:00 p.m.
11/11 @ Shorter (Cleveland, Tenn) 1:00 p.m.
11/15 vs Florida Southern 5:30 p.m.
11/18 @ Embry-Riddle 5:30 p.m.

**Women's Volleyball**
11/14 at Florida Southern 7:00 p.m.
11/17 vs Florida Tech 7:00 p.m.
11/18 vs Embry-Riddle 4:00 p.m.

## Veteran's Day

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